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Perhaps there never was a time in America when we had more political "leaders." They can be found in every cross-roads committee meeting and in every delegation in Congress; they throng every State convention and names appear on every in anything. They invent new theories of administration and they new methods of returning government to the people. They flood the magazines and they litter the newspapers with their political projects, their warnings, their theories and their admonitions to the flocks which they would lead beside the still waters of political peace and into the

These men never falter. If one of their net plans is overthrown, they fine political expedient is rejected by the people, they have others to offer without pausing a moment or passing from the red glare of pub-They have their deep-seated "political convictions" and are rich in "paramount issues," but when the folly of these is manifest or their novelty is outworn, the leaders of the hour reject them with alacrity and harrow the field for others. They are not men to educate the people by their firm allegiance to principle. that before a great cause can succeed It must fail; their leadership is always immediate and their expedients are always temporary.

These men are called leaders, but they are always followers. They march at the head of the procession proudly think of what they will overcome, but of how large a following they can get, and while they listen "to the voice of duty," their ear is to the ground, listening to catch the sound of following footsteps. Where others do not follow they do not care to lead, for they are only leaders of the mob because they are willing to be ruled by

Such statesmen as these may last a generation or they may ingloriously perish after a single campaign. They lack everything that would make them true leaders and they must give place to men who have convictions and never falter in the pursuit of these reason but to the passion of men and they always disappear when reason triumphs over passion. To these men and to those who have wearled of eulogy paid by Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts, to the late Congressman William C. Lovering, Taunton, quoted in the New York

It deserves a place in the classics

"He assayed to be a leader and not dered it his duty, not simply to study e momentary waves of public opinion what was for the permanent welfare of his constituents and of the nation and follow that and endeavor to lead them in the same path. He was not given to self-advertising; he did not curry newspaper favor and notoricty; but in his thoughtful, intelligent way he labored for the public good, and won his reward in the respect of all who knew him.

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"He did not strive for popularity by frantic denunciation of every temporary bogy or by fervent worsnip of every temporary idel, but he carried his head above the clouds of temporary passion and prejudice and tried to look broadly into the future to discover what was stable and permanent, and regulate his conduct by that, and not by the whim of the hour."

A man who possesses these qualities will never have a large following, for he does not seek a following, but his life will be remembered when the opportunist is forgotten and the mob leader has only oblivion as a monu-

A JEREMIAH COME TO JUDGMENT

Mr. Edward Payson Ripley, presdent of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, takes a very gloomy view of the railroad outlook, He says that the conference with the lieved the situation, but has only furdifficulties. He has determined to cut a sense, "moonlight, music, love and expense to the bone on his system, and flowers" wherever they went. that will result, doubtless, in labor

railroad situation has been very badly or bacon fat, and are of such conhandled at Washington; but that is should make it any worse by prophesying evil things for the future. We do not think that the railroad bill the main source of the Texas salmon upon which so much time has been wasted by Congress should be passed. Mr. Ripley says:

"The railroad bill as it stands is a terror. It takes control of the railroad out of our hands, while leaving us the responsibility. It gives the Government practical control without ownership. If it is to go into effect I would rather the Interstate Commerce Commission was given full. merce Commission was given full power to make all rates."

Daily without Sunday 10 cents do. The Commission does not know anything about making rates, and the turn to their rich home fare in good true function of government is not business. We do not want Mr. Taft to make another "Payne-Aldrich-Tariff-Bill" mistake. It is not part of his duty as Chief Executive to direct leg-

MONEY FOR THE JAMES RIVER.

Senator Martin succeeded yesterday n increasing the appropriation for the improvement of the James River from \$100,000 to \$250,000. That was a good ests of the State will rise up and hurrah for Martin. Now, we shall have twenty-five feet of water in the James Capital of the State. There is no bet ter place in the South for the establishment of a first-class torpedo station than Richmond. Senator Martin will see the point and will know ex actly how to fix it.

THE POSTAL SAVINGS BANK BILL The Postal Savings Bank bill, an

other of the belated campaign prom ises of the Republicans, passed the House yesterday, despite the efforts of good Democrats and fair-minded Re- General Wickersham's advice and publicans. It was a had bill when it was introduced, and it is a worse bill largest possible reward for his acnow, thanks to the manipulation of tivity in detecting the sugar frauds. the committee which had it in charge By every count, the bill should never have been passed. It is contrary to the spirit of the Constitution, contrarto sound policy and contrary to na tional economy. It usurps a legitimate business, by placing in Government hands money that should properly be deposited with private bankers it opens a new market for Governmen security for the face value of their funds; it places new funds in th "invested" with doubtful benefit to the bill will have a serious effect upon the stability of the national banks and will propriation bill does not include any item for the introduction of the sys not operate this year, but this does as the Evening Post very properly not change its fundamental injustice.

thought; the more bills the present zeal in the Government service will be there will be in the indictment against the party in power. The railroad bill be more careful in their work. Of bad, the conservation measures will hardly be better. If Congress continue to enact laws of this sort, the Republicans will win the November elections for the Democrats, almost without a fight.

Wade Hampton Harris, the brilliant

editor of the Charlotte Evening Chronicle, left home the other day to attend the annual meeting of the North Carolina Press Association at Wrightsville Beach, wherever that is, and while he was away his even more brilliant and sympathetic and able assistant worked into the editorial columns of the Chronicle the following great gob of undiluted Truth:

"The man that says the editorial page of the American newspaper is waning had better read The Times-Dispatch."

"That's what they all say."

DISCOVERED.

It is leaking out gradually why the automobile enthusiasts were so eager to make the Endurance Run down into North Carolina. When they stopped at Henderson at half past 12 o'clock on Wednesday, they were entertained at an elaborate luncheon at Massenberg's-cream tomato soup, with crutons, roast lamb, fried chicken, Smithfield ham, stuffed tomatoes, with mayonnaise dressing, Maryland bissuits, peach cream, and all the rest, printed in plain English with blue ink on handsome paper with the front outside cover in gold, and tied with a yellow ribbon. This is the sort of North Carolinians all along the route, appetizing soups with crutons here friend chicken there, dainty little President in Washington has not re-leved the situation, but has only furnished a basis on which the railroads and banners and streamers and wholebecue at Durham, speeches of welcome, can work toward a solution of their some spring water all the time, and, in

It should be explained for the introubles and in more loss to the pub- formation of George Bailey that lie and the shippers than the interdicted rates could possibly have on the menu-have been introduced in caused. He says: "The present situa- North Carolina since he left that State tion is not one that justifies any in- for its permanent good. They are a vestor in buying railroad securities" sort of bread, made of wheaten flour, We have great confidence in Mr. cut in various forms and fried light-Rinley's ability as a railroad manager; ly in butter or oil, and are used to but if it is a bad time to buy it is garnish hashes, to put in soup, etc., an equally bad time to sell, and those etc. It will be observed that they are who have their money in good securi- "fried"-that is to say they can be ties ought to keep it there. The fried, if one prefer the skillet to worst thing that could happen for the the oven, but when fried they are merged. The member of Congress who

used, when well broken up with an axe or sledge hammer, to load the shotguns with which the Jack rabbit.

It is true also that the Endurance Run people were fed on fried chicken down in the Old North State-"Carolina, Carolina, Heaven's first at Bethel, farthest at Gettysburg. and last at Appomattox, or not-but it was fried very lightly and it fairly melted in the mouth. The Endurance Run stopped short of the real frying That would be a very bad thing to pan part of the grand old State, and form, but looking very guilty that the chief purpose of their run has been discovered. Down in North Carolina. habit of the people to break the bread into the soup; but that style has passed out. We are all much more refined than when Bailey lived in this part of the country, and the crutons are a patent way, and a very much nicer way, of taking both bread and one motion.

In the admirable description of North Carolina, given by Moses, it is spoken of as "a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; a land of wheat, and barley, and lines, and fig trees, and pomegranates: a land of oil-olive, and honey." The promoters of this North Carolina Enfurance Run knew what they were about. Next time everybody will want to go with them.

PAYING FOR ABILITY NOT HONESTY.

The muckrakers will be crushed if Secretary MacVeagh follow Attorneyfail to give Richard Parr the Parr's discoveries resulted in the payment to the Government of about \$3. 500,000 by the defrauding sugar trust and the muckrakers were hoping that the Government, following the usua procedure in such cases, would allow them a splendid opportunity to attack the Government and to declaim against honest.

We hope Parr will be paid and paid liberally. He deserves \$200,000, at the very least, and he deserves this not lie service, and the man who expects to be paid for being honest is dishonest at showed so much ability and used so cunning a hand in dealing with the sugar thieves that his ability should be richly rewarded.

Parr will doubtless have a most excellent effect upon the weighers and 600,000, consequently that the bill will inspectors on the New York wharves There is, however, this cheering ability will be rewarded and that their keep a strict eye to business, and will ful, and they must certainly be honest but they will be doubly alert since

Cone Johnson spoke in the Kyle Opera House in Beaumont, Texas, last ence, "the local Johnson men," as they are described in Cone's Organ, the siderable enthusiasm over his coming," the railroads gave low rates from to hear this great tribune, who has and women. Nothing is said about the warnilittle girls of the Houston paper distype. tributing flowers, all dressed in white, we mean the girls not the flowers, on this occasion; but we are sure they were there. Tuesday afternoon, Cone spoke to a great gathering at Kountze, and everywhere he speaks, according to his Organ, he carries everything

Last week the proprietor of a racker store in Palestine finished a count of the Democratic voters in that neighborhood and found that of the 318 voters there, 113 were dead-bent for Cone. 64 for Colquitt, 60 for Davidson and 41 for Poindexter. The Davidson and Poindexter voters are really for Cone not only in Palestine, but in all the Texan Judea. The thing that we cannot quite understand is why Colquitt does not get out of the race right now, and make it unanimous for Cone. With the aid of the Houston Post Cone surely has made the hustings hum.

THE "ATMOSPHERE" IN WASHING-TON.

The Houston Post pauses long enough n its desperate campaign for the cleetion of Cone Johnson to make some pertinent remarks upon a subject of continuing interest-the part Washington plays in shaping and controlling the matter of fact, the National Capital s a negligible quantity in the public affairs of the country. A majority of the people there are mere pilgrims and sojourners. If they wish to vote they must hold their residence elsewhere; if they want to be appointed o office in Washington they must give up their citizenship. It is a queer sort of arrangement; but it is satisfactory to the rest of the country.

The Saturday Evening Post speaks of "a local atmosphere" in which all the activities of the nation are subrailroads and for everybody else is fried lightly and with butter or oil. In | is out of sympathy with public opinion. what has been called "a loss of pub- Texas they are generally made of corn as made in the committee rooms of

the two houses and 'n the restaurants and, if he had one, and made a tour of and clubs, is told that he must get in line with public opinion and when he protests that he is simply reflecting the opinions and sentiments of his constituency he is reminded that his realm that bore the name of the Virgin constituency is not in harmony with persons as Governors of Independent and sovereign States, after a few in this "atmosphere," talk confidently would tell "my people" to do about this, that and the other question of that Land is reached which is modeled, "my people" to kick them out at the Virginia." next election-these men, generally of small stature, "small potatoes and few in a nill," whom a breath can make as appears to be that the people have not caught the "local atmosphere." Then another trouble is that many of the "members" grow into the habit of thinking that the folks who are ploughing away back at home do not attach the right importance to what is said and done in committee rooms and clubs and restaurants in Wash.

There is not less than a full regiment of "members" almost continually langing around the "atmosphere" in Washington wondering how they could have been mistaken. This "atmosthose who have breathed it once. Men make their residence there just to be much cyanogen that many is the man who has been suffocated by it. It is them all coming back home to explain how it happened and what a loss the country has sustained by the retirement of the only statesmen it has ever

POETS NOT WANTED.

The whole brotherhood of song and the fellowship of verse will be indigimmigration officers refusing to admit days, before he went to visit abroad. he wrote lyrics and elegies and epics navia, and these he recited, with fine dramatic fire, before the Swedes of New York. Like a true denizen of for a living and lived, or rather starved, by his pen. When he came the other day he could not produce \$24 in cash and could only give poetry-writing as a means of earning a tion officers falled to see his right to enter the country, and ordered him

We do not want to rejoice in the descent of Petersen's Muse, and we York, who have lost their well-beloved songster, but we could only wish day poets. Their immigration into England and the Continental countries them were lost, some were wrecked The average man who treads his

way unmoved through the slough of prose, has no idea how many gentle or, to drop the figure, the man who reads good prose has no idea how this country. The verse which gets into print is generally bad enough, but that which is thrown away is worse, flooded with poetry. It comes with every mail and it comes from every speaking, and the people poured in a great man die, there are a dozen

When Huck Finn was swept from his raft and swam ashore in Kenspected member of the generous Gran- the record straight, gerford family was the lamented Emmeline, who "could rattle off poetry like nothing." She was always or hand with her "tribute" as soon as a man was dead, and she was never beaten to the house of mourning by the undertaker but once, and then 'she hung fire on a rhyme for the dead person's name, which was Whistler'

As the veracious Huck tells us, "She never complained, but she kinder pined away and did not live long." There as the Washington Herald would say, are many Emmelines in Virginia, male the Frenchmen always did fly high. and female, and there are a great many more in North Carolina. We do not wish them to die-the Lord for bid-but if they should share Petersen's exile, Carolina would certainly be better off and Virginia might be.

IS STILL "NONE SUCH."

Three hundred and one years ago this morning, Captain John Smith, with a small company of adventurers, paddied his way up the James River, turned the bend below Rocketts and came in view of the present site of Richmond. There were woods every where-woods that swept from the summit of seven hills almost to the water's edge-woods whose summer verdure gave to the landscape a beauty it has not lost through the centuries Smith came ashore, planted his stand-

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surrounding country. Then floated back down the river to tell the colonists that he had found the most beautiful spot in all the beautiful

Queen. site that he acquired it and named it "None Such." The name has been for-

nouncement read as a dirge of the a Baltimore clipper, one of the most famous of her kind and one of a great fleet that carried the United States flag the helm and favorable winds, a Balti

its from ocean voyages. The passing of the clippers was th

high seas. When merchants were able pensive clippers, it was time to haul in the sheets and banish all sailing ves a slow one and the clippers fought hard for their place. Some of would be a sad blow to them, but it on distant shores, some were dismantled, some were transformed into barges, and the few that surived the steam revolution are vanishing like the Good News to be seen no more until every ship drops anchor in the Port of Missing Men.

> Another effort is being made to put the Texas watermelons on the market. They are really prohibited under the pure food law; but if they must be eaten, they ought to be boiled and disinfected. They are known to be full

are laughing Muses and weeping have had a serious disagreement about Muses, occasional Muses and habitual the bill to permit the President to skill for a measure or two, and Muses purposes, and that Pinchot is in all near-by points on account of the that limp through long hexameters. If Washington to fight the bill; but a message of cheer for all good men cur, there are a half dozen tambic Glavis business, and that he is not warnings almost before the story is in nearly so immaculate as he was be-

tucky, he found that the most re-

warn't ever the same after that; she aviator went 105 miles in 3 hours

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site that he acquired it and named it "None Such." The name has been for Fotten, but it is as applicable now as it was then. There is "None Such." thank the Lord! in all the world, and there will not be another such until that Land is reached which is modeled, as all men know, "on the plan of Old Virginia."

The VANISHING CLIPPERS.

The barkentine "Good News," Captain Eriksson, Philadelphia to Ponce foundered of Cape Hatteras Tuesday night and was abandoned by her crew. When last seen she was drifting with her rail above water and showed no signs of sinking.

This message, flashed by the Government and taken up by wireless between the ships plying on the coust, was a warning that the Good News might become a derelict and might endanger traffic on the coast. To all who knew the story of the bark and its place in history, however, this announcement read as a direc of the such as a contraction of the came in black of the fact of the contraction of the came of the contraction. This message is the Good News might become a derelict and might endanger traffic on the coast. To all who knew the story of the bark and its place in history, however, this announcement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a monuncement read as a direc of the such as a such as a manuncement read as a direc of the such as a manuncement read as a direct of the such as a monuncement read as a direct of the such as a monuncement read as a direct of the such as a such as a such as a direct of the such as a monuncement read as a direct of the such as a s

UNCLE GETS FORTUNE BY DEATH OF CHILD

Gerald also becomes from now on Viscount Chelsea in his little nephew's place.

The boy's illness was very sudden and very unexpected. It was but the other day that he figured in perfect health at the marriage of his mother to Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, and no one dreamt at the time that his existence would be cut short so soon and so prematurely. Had there been the slightest premonition of what was in store for the child, old Lord Cadogan would assuredly never have permitted his son Gerald to suffer the stigma of being gazetted as insolvent, with no assets for the bankruptcy only took place a fortnight ago, and the total amount of the liabilities did not exceed \$50,000, a relatively small sum for the Earl of Cadogan, and which it would have been worth while for him to pay in order to avert the public disgrace thus placed upon the next successor to his honors and estates.

lic disgrace thus placed upon the next successor to his honors and estates.

During the course of the bankruptey proceedings, the Hon. Gerald explained that for several years he was an officer of the First Life Guards and afterwards aide-de-camp to his father when the latter was Viceroy of Ire land, that he had served through the South African War as captain of mounted infantry, but that since his return to England at the close of the conflict, and the completion of his father's term of office as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, he had been without any employment, and wholly dependent upon an allowance of \$5.000 a year accorded to him by his father. He attributed his debts to gambling and to usurious rates of interest charged by professional money-lenders. At the time of his appearance in court, it was expressly stated that his father and his relatives were not inclined to make any offer of compromise with his creditors, the idea probably being that in the position of an undischarged bankrupt he would be less likely to involve himself in any further difficulties, for, in the first place, it is practically impossible for an undischarged bankrupt to get an money from professional usurers, while if he obtains credit anywhere for an amount exceeding \$100 without making clear the fact that he is an undischarged bankrupt, he will render bimself liable to criminal prosecution and to imprisonment with hard labor. Now, however, that he has become Viscount Chelsea, and next heir to the cardom of his father, who is over seventy years of age and in feeble health, steps will undoubtedly be at once taken to obtain his discharge, by means of a compromise with his creditors, who are certain now, however, to show themselves much more execting at present than they would have been at the time of his bankruptcy, three weeks ago.

Lord Cadogan has for a number of the compromise with his creditors.

tion constituted the nucleus of what good hard the biggest in the world. We do not doubt it, because they have to pay a man to eat Houston ice-cream at any time. Besides, the Post has to praise every Cone.

The Montgomery Advertiser wants to know what would happen if husbands went out of fashion. It ought to know, because there never was but one fashionable man in Montgomery, and the people drove him out of town.

Speaking about husbands, the loyal men of Richmond shed real tears when their wives go away for the summer.

the helm and favorable winds, a Baltimore crowd make the voyage from Philadelphia or Baltimore to Brazil in a trifle over thirty days, or could carry flour from Baltimore to San Francisco, around the Horn, in about one hundred days, or could make the Godgan, from a bankrupt of transforming his uncle, the Horn ferald Cadogan, from a bankrupt bounger son, with few prospects, into the journey from Hamptqn Roads to Queenstown in eighteen days. In the annual race from the Orient, the clippers were always first at home with their spices, their silks and their teas.

These trim, small barkentines played a great part in the annuals of American commerce, and marked an epoch in salling craft. They were rigged in their regulation barkentine fashion, but their hulls were clear-cut, they required little passage way and could tack in almost any weather. Every old mariner from Gloucester to Galtyeston would swear that a Baltimore clipper was the finest craft that every old mariner from Gloucester to Galtyeston would swear that a Baltimore clipper was the finest craft that every old mariner from Gloucester to Galtyeston would swear that a Baltimore confirm the mercantile family of to-day owes fits wealth to theae fleet sea-gulls that brought quick returns and large profits from ocean voyages.

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The Baron de Montrond, who has just been murdered in so shocking a fashion at his chateau in Normandy by a discharged servant, was a grand-nephew and heir of that Comte de Montrond who played so great a role at the beginning of the nineteenth century in Paris and in London. That De Montrond was the most successful gambler and the most famous wit of his day, and it is to him that Lord Byron refers in his verses as "Preux Chevaller de la ruse," and that "Such was his magic power to please.

Byron refers in his verses as "Preux Chevalier de la ruse," and that "Such was his magle power to please, The cards seemed charmed, too, by his repartees."

Sydney Sinith speaks enthusiastically of his wit, and he was the author of many of the good sayings attributed to his intimate friend and associate, the great Talleyrand, and he is on record as having first attracted notice at the court of Marie Antoinette, when, having been faisely charged by a drunken officer of the Guards with whom he was playing at cards with cheating, he quite coolly replied, "Perhaps it is possible, but I do not like to have people say so," with which he threw the cards in the officer's face, fought a duel with him on the following morning, and killed his adversary, (Copyright, 1910, by the Brentwood Company.)

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